

INJECTION SAFETY STORY – LAGOS

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This is an account of a participant of the Lagos State Training of Trainers program held in January 2006 when she visited a health facility.

On the 4th February 2006, I went to a hospital in Ifako area of Lagos for treatment. In a nutshell I had to get an injection and the nurse to administer the injection did not want to wear gloves. I asked her why and she said she was clean. I told her I was not going to get injected without her wearing gloves. I also noticed that the safety injection box was carelessly opened.

I gladly made sure that the box was closed properly and lectured the nurse that her safety and mine should be paramount at all times.

I was able to inform her because I am a trained trainer of making medical injections safer by USAID and John Snow. I am also a public health practitioner.

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